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AGRICULTURE TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the achievements made under the Agriculture Technology Research Programme for development of agriculture in the country during the last three years;

(b) the amount spent thereon by the Government;

(c) whether the Government make adequate allocation in view of the pitiable condition of the farmers in the country; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and the corrective steps taken/proposed in regard thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) The National Agricultural Technology Project has made significant progress in the implementation of the diverse activities planned under its components viz.,
(i) Organization and Management System,
(ii) Agro-ecosystem Research and
(iii) Innovation in Technology Dissemination. Major achievements particularly in the last three years are given in the Annexure.

(b) Rs.328.97 crore for the last three years.

(c) & (d): The new initiatives like National Agricultural Innovation Project (NAIP), National Fund for Basic and Strategic Research, Network Project on Seed Production in Agricultural Crops and Fisheries, Indo-US Knowledge Initiative in Agriculture, Application of micro-organisms in Agriculture are all efforts to address technology related issues facing the farmers in the country.